



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Thied et al  
Serial No.: 10/049,779  
Filed: June 26, 2002  
For: PROCESS FOR SEPARATING METALS

Confirmation No.: 6112  
Group Art Unit: 1742  
Examiner: Wesley A. Nicolas

Date: February 25, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of ( 1 ) month(s) to respond to the Official Action dated November 20, 2003.

2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

☒ is filed herewith.

☐ has been filed.

3. Applicant:

☐ Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

	<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee For Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee for Small Entity</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$420.00	\$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$950.00	\$475.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	five months	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

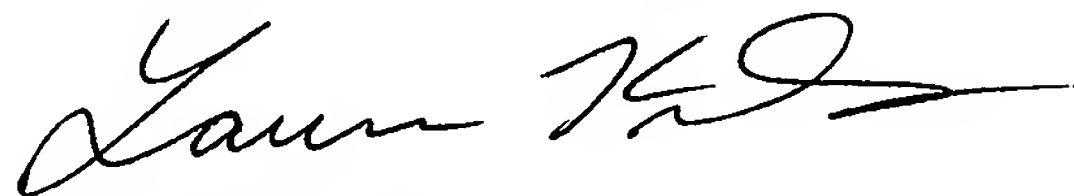
Fee Enclosed \$ 110.00

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- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

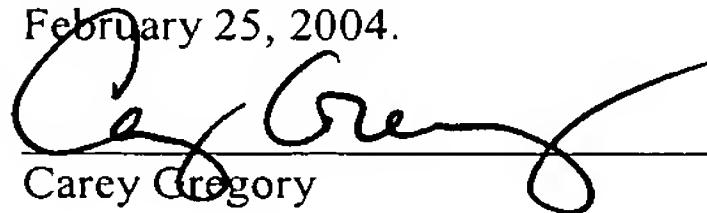


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